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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from Zeitz

EVALUATION

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8 May 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 17 April 1953, 37 T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 60 trucks and 8 rocket launchers [redacted] 25X1
 were loaded in Zeitz toward Weissenfels. On 18 April, six T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 25X1
 were loaded in Zeitz toward Weissenfels. Motor vehicles [redacted]
 were observed shuttling between the Artillerie Kaserne
 and the freight station.¹ Between 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on 12 April, T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 25X1
 and trucks [redacted]
 were seen moving from the freight station in Zeitz to the
 Infanterie Kaserne and T-34/85 tanks [redacted] from the freight
 station to the Artillerie Kaserne.²

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1. [redacted] Comment. As a subsequent report [redacted] indicated that, from 18 to 20 April, another 29 tanks were loaded, it is believed that major elements of the two regiments of the 20th Gds Mecz Div stationed in Zeitz were transferred to Ohrdruf. Information on loading operations in Weimar observed at the same time was contained in a previous report. [redacted] The rocket launchers observed are a new indication that the 24th Gds RL Bn (US) is stationed in Zeitz, rather than Jena. 25X1
2. [redacted] Comment. Presumably, tank firing details still returning from Letzling Heath. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] belongs to the unidentified engineer battalion of the XXIV Gds Mtz Rifle Corps. [redacted] 25X1

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